IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: : Chapter 13

THELMA JANE HOWE,

DEBTOR. : BANKRUPTCY No. 09-10183 SR

THELMA JANE HOWE AND

DONALD J. HOWE,

PLAINTIFFS,

CREDITORS INTERCHANGE RECEIVABLE

 $Management,\,LLC,\,and\,\,Bank\,\,of\,\,America,\,\,N.A.\,,$

VS.

DEFENDANTS. : ADV. No. 09-00010

ORDER

AND Now, upon consideration of Bank of America, N.A.'s Motion to Dismiss

Complaint for Failure to State Claim Upon which Relief can be Granted, or in the

Alternative, for Lack of Subject Matter Jurisdiction ("Motion to Dismiss") and Plaintiff's

Motion for Permission to Amend Complaint ("Motion for Leave to Amend") and after a

hearing with notice, it is hereby **Ordered** that:

- 1. The Motion to Dismiss is **DENIED**; and
- 2. The Motion for Leave to Amend is **GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART.**
- 3. Plaintiffs are granted leave to amend their complaint to allege that Mr. Howe transferred the \$20,000 which he withdrew from his pension account to entireties property before it

- was utilized to make a payment to Creditors Interchange Management, LLC, on Debtor's Bank of America account.
- 4. Plaintiffs are denied leave to amend their complaint to allege in Count III that Bank of America is vicariously liable for CIRM's alleged misconduct.
- 5. Plaintiffs shall file their amended complaint, as allowed, on or before <u>Friday</u>, <u>July 10</u>, <u>2009</u>.
- 6. Defendants shall file a response to the amended complaint within ten (10) days afer service thereof.

By the Court:

Stephen Raslavich

Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

Dated: July 2, 2009

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